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Madison, Wisconsin -- Erik C. Peterson, United States Attorney for the Western District of Wisconsin, announced that Turvell Howard, 28, of Madison, was sentenced today by U.S. District Judge John C. Shabaz to 87 months in federal prison, without the possibility of parole, for being a felon in possession of ammunition. Howard's term of imprisonment will be followed by a three-year term of supervised release. Howard pleaded guilty to this charge on February 8, 2007.

Howard possessed the ammunition on December 8, 2006, in an apartment he was living in on Allied Drive. Howard has a history of drug offenses and Judge Shabaz sentenced Howard to the high end of the advisory sentencing guideline range because of those prior offenses.

The charge against Howard was the result of an investigation conducted by the Madison Police Department's Southwest Community Policing Team. The prosecution of the case has been handled by Assistant U.S. Attorney Rita M. Rumbelow.

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